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Applicant: Richard HULL et al. Confirmation No.: 2277  
Application No.: 09/546,399 Art Unit: 1631  
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Title: CHEMICAL STRUCTURE SIMILARITY RANKING SYSTEM AND  
COMPUTER-IMPLEMENTED METHOD FOR SAME

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Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated July 14, 2006, for which a response is due on or before October 14, 2006.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 08-0219, under Order No. 290065.120US1.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.